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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING THE RCE

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### Brief Summary of Selected Substantive Portions of this Response

[0001] Herein, I submit remarks explaining why the primary cited reference (namely, Colson) does not disclose what is recited in the claims. I also formally request an interview to discuss these particular differences.

[0002] This brief summary is not intended to represent the Applicant's full response to the Action. Rather, it is merely a brief summary of selected substantive portions of the response herein.

## **SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS**

None